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## CAMPAIGN FINANCE DIVISION

☒ **WAIVER REQUEST**  
☐ **RECONSIDERATION REQUEST**

**DATE: 9/3/2020**  
**DOCKET #:**

### FILER INFORMATION

Name: Fredrick Michael Cramer  
Office: Coroner  
Parish: EAST FELICIANA  
Election Date: 10/12/2019  
Level of Office: District

### REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: 10-G  
Original Due Date: 11/6/2019  
Date Filed: 6/8/2020  
Activity Receipts: \$-0  
Expenditures: \$-0  
Funds at Close of Reporting Period: \$-0

### LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$2,000  
Days Late: 215  
Late Fee Order Received: Not yet received  
Payment/Waiver Request Due Date:  
Waiver Request Received: 6/18/2020  
Additional Information Requested:  
XX - Medical  
- Financial  
- Other

COMMENTS: He received a message from my previous landlord that an item was made to deliver a certified letter to him at his former address. He was not there because five days after the completion of his one term as Coroner of East Feliciana, he transferred records of the Coroner's Office to his successor and returned to Texas for medical reasons. When notification was received from his landlord and after his inquiry as to cause, he immediately completed the required report. Since the election of Coroner was completed in the 2019 primary, he didn't think a general election disclosure was necessary. And because he didn't campaign or collect money for a campaign, such a form seemed totally unnecessary. Sometime during his tenure as Coroner he has been recently diagnosed. That is why he has relocated to Texas and returned to his alma mater, M.D. Anderson Hospital.

### OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

#### Campaign Finance:

Other Outstanding Reports: No  
Other Outstanding Late Fees: No  
Prior Late Fees: Yes  
Reassessed Late Fees: Yes

#### Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No  
Prior Late Fees: No

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June 16, 2020

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The past five years in Louisiana have not been kind to my health. My doctors all reside in Texas and I have had to forgo annual visits due to the demands of the job and the hostility of the parish government to the Coroner's Office. As a result, some time during my tenure as Coroner I developed a cancer, two in fact, for which I have been recently diagnosed. That is why I have relocated to Texas and returned to my alma mater, M.D. Anderson Hospital, not as faculty, as before, but as patient. I anticipate two, possibly three surgeries to in the near future plus or minus chemotherapy and/or radiation therapy. As a result, I shall need to remain close to my physicians for the foreseeable future.

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Regards,

*Michael Cramer, MD*

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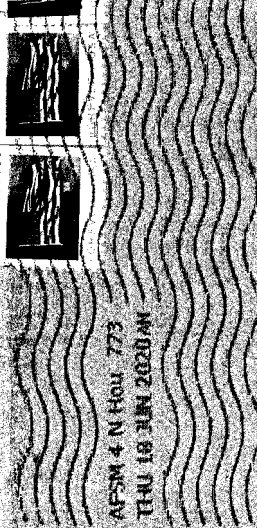
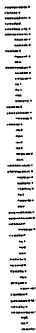
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